

STATE NEWS

FROM CURRITUCK TO CHEROKEE

Items of Interest Gleaned from Our Correspondents and Exchanges.

The present drouth is one of the most severe that Western North Carolina has ever experienced.

The rural free delivery postal routes increase constantly. There are now 718 in North Carolina.

Judge G. W. Ward, appointed to succeed Judge Brown on the Superior Court bench, held his first court in Bladen County last week.

State Treasurer Lacy, who is a great sufferer from asthma and has suffered much recently, has gone to Arizona in the hope of obtaining relief.

Tom Love, the Waynesville negro, who some time ago entered the apartments of Mrs. Rogers, has been convicted of burglary and sentenced to be hanged October 27.

On account of the prevalence of diphtheria in Goldsboro the State Convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy, which was to meet in that city, will meet in Fayetteville on the 26th.

The whole State will be gratified to know that Greensboro Female College has had a splendid opening. On the first day ninety-eight girls registered and a number more have written that they will arrive this week.

John B. Watson, charged with the killing of Jos. Basket in Vance County several months ago, was convicted of murder in the second degree in Vance County Superior Court last week and sentenced to the penitentiary for 25 years.

President Watson and Secretary Lawrence are now busy in their preparations for the Cumberland County fair, which takes place November 2, 3, and 4. The big crops of the year, the special premiums and the purses for racing, all combine to make the outlook encouraging for a fine fair.

It is learned from the hail insurance agents that this year ten times as much property has been destroyed by hail as was thus destroyed last year. In fact, it is said that the past summer was the worst ever known for hail storms in at least two-thirds of the State.

Charity and Children: The death of Ex-Senator Ransom removes the most conspicuous figure from our public life. We do not go so far as some of our neighbors in extravagant eulogy, for Senator Ransom was not of the same class with his great colleague, but he was a man of fine ability, of splendid physique, and an orator of commanding gifts. He did not enjoy the veneration and love of the people of North Carolina like Vance did, for the reason that he was not so unselfish as Vance, but he was greatly admired by the people. He served his State well and his name will be held in honor through ages to come.

The continued drought is giving the Southern Railway officials no little concern. The streams that supply the water tanks on the Murphy branch are very low, and one of the officials is quoted as saying that if the drought continues much longer several of the streams are sure to fail and the situation become extremely serious.

Tarboro Cor. Post: Hon. Thomas E. Watson, the presidential aspirant of the Populist Party, has also cancelled his engagement to speak here the 27th, and will remain at national headquarters in Chicago where he will make several speeches and endeavor to capture a large faction of the Bryan and Hearst following, of which he is very hopeful.

General Ransom was the largest farmer in the State and raised immense crops of cotton. He was all his life a farmer but after his retirement from public life he greatly increased his holdings, buying more land and increasing his farming operations. His life was insured for \$20,000 and it said his estate is worth \$1,000,000, but this may be an overestimate.

Charlotte Chronicle: In a recent drive of twenty miles out from Charlotte on one road and a drive of twenty miles back on another road, we saw rural mail boxes at every house. Sometimes as many as six were clustered at one place. It is this way all over the county. The farmer has his daily mail and his telephone and does not have to come to town to learn the news.

Three policemen and several citizens captured a freight car thief in Raleigh Monday after a chase of four blocks. The man's name is John Sterling, and after his capture he implicated Walter B. Jenkins and John O'Donald. The man is wanted in Virginia for the offence, to serve sixteen months in jail. The Southern has lost over \$100,000 through larceny of freight cars this year.

Raleigh Post, 15th: Yesterday was the 24th day since there has any rain fallen in Raleigh and vicinity, this being the longest period of drought since the weather bureau was established here in 1887. The longest previous period of dry weather was 22

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days, from September 15th to October 6th. The present period of drought dates from September 21st. The lack of rain is being felt now on the farms as well as in the city.

Statesville Landmark: G. Z. French, the former prominent Republican politician of Wilmington, who died Sunday night at his old home at Bangor, Me., had lived in Wilmington since the civil war until the revolution of 1898, when he gave up the office of acting sheriff and retired from the city to his plantation, near Rocky Point, Pender County. French was a leader in the Legislature during the reconstruction period as a Representative from New Hanover and had since that time been postmaster in Wilmington for two or more terms. He was about 75 years of age and leaves no immediate relatives. His remains were buried in Maine.

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